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6 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
7 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

8 ROBERT CSECH,

9 Plaintiff,

10 vs.

11 JAMES DZURENDA, *et al.*,

12 Defendants.

3:19-cv-00210-MMD-WGC

13 **REFERRAL TO PRO BONO PROGRAM**

14 The court has construed plaintiff's motion to appoint guardian ad litem (ECF No. 5) as a motion
15 for appointment of counsel. The court denies the motion without prejudice and will instead refer the case
16 to the Court's Pro Bono Program ("Program") adopted in Amended General Order 2019-07 for the
17 purpose of and identifying counsel willing to be appointed as pro bono counsel for Plaintiff. The scope
18 of appointment shall be for the **limited purpose of participating in settlement negotiations** with
19 Defendants.¹ By referring this case to the Program, the court is not expressing an opinion as to the merits
20 of the case. Accordingly,

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24 ¹ The case has been referred to and scheduled for an Early Mediation Conference on July 21, 2020 (ECF No.
25 7). Because Plaintiff stated in his motion that he is "willing to negotiate with Defendant Representative in Fair
Manner" (*id.* at 2), the EMC shall proceed even if counsel has not been secured for Plaintiff by that date.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case is referred to the Pro Bono Program for appointment of counsel for the purposes identified herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk shall also forward this order to the Pro Bono Liaison.

DATED: May 20, 2020.

Walter G. Cobb

**WILLIAM G. COBB
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**